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REDS, NATIONALISTS IN SWATOW GUN DUEL Mainland forces engage Namo Island defenders LANDING TRY FOILED

Taipei, January 16.
A gun duel between Communist forces in Swatow and Nationalist Chinese on Namo Island, nearby, was reported today by the Defence Ministry.

Noel-Baker addresses ILO conference

Nuwa Eliya, January 16.
Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, today pledged Britain's all-out assistance to the International Labour Organisation in its efforts to improve the lot of Asian workers.

Mr. Noel-Baker, who conveyed Mr. Ernest Bevin's warmest greetings to the ILO's Asian Regional Conference, which opened here today, said: "Economic expansion by joint action of East and West will dominate the future of Asia for years to come."

In a 20-minute speech to the inaugural session of the ILO Regional Conference, Mr. Noel-Baker recalled his role in one of the authors of the ILO Constitution in Paris 30 years ago and the struggle and growth of British labour and trade union movements.

The ILO, he said, "stands on the threshold of a new era of its work for the workers of Asia. The ILO has already made a great record of practical results. It has also laid the intellectual foundations of a future greater than its present."

Optimistic picture

Mr. Noel-Baker surveyed the economic situation in Asia and drew an optimistic picture of the future. "I feel sure things are going to happen, that soon a great enterprise will be under way," he said. "For dams and tube wells, bulldozers and chemical fertilizers, industrial plant, railways and trucks have become the armament of freedom in our present age."

"I am authorised by my Government to say that if the United Kingdom can help in training workers or experts, we shall do so to the very limit of our power."

Mr. Noel-Baker congratulated Indonesia, which is represented for the first time in ILO conferences, and added: "I hope that all the nations of this continent, former allies as well as former enemies, will join in the partnership in achieving Asia's economic freedom."

Two hundred and fifty delegates are attending the Conference, the first full-scale Asian regional meeting. Governments, employers and workers from many parts of Asia are represented. Scores of observers and experts from international organisations are also attending.

The main task of the Conference is to discuss plans to improve the living standards of peasants in Asia.—Reuter.

BRITISH TROOPS LEAVING GREECE

Athens, January 16.
The last British troops in Greece, the 1st Battalion Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment, will leave for home on board the trooper Empire Windrush on February 1, it was announced here today.

They will hold a farewell parade at Saloniciki on Sunday.—Reuter.

THE WEATHER

At 0000 GMT (2 p.m., HKST), the moderate anticyclone covering Japan, the ridge extending southwards from the E of Loochow, and subtropical ridge still persisting the Philippines and Westwards—the depression is possibly forming over the lower Yangtze with a trough extending southwards to East Formosa.

Today's Forecast—Moderate, fresh locally, E winds. Cloudy.

Yesterday's Weather: Gale, Moderate, 60 deg. E. Wind: 60-65 knts.

Rainfall: 2.1 mm.=0.08 ins. Total since July 1-11.1 mm.=0.44 ins. as against an average of 16.4 mm.=0.65 ins.

Readings: 10 a.m. 14.4 °C. 1 p.m. 15.1 °C. 8.30 inches.

Baro. at msl. 1011.2 mb. 80% RH.

Rel. Humidity: 86% 80% RH.

Dew Point: 15° 10° RH.

Wind Direction: SSW 15°.

Wind Force: 10-12 knots.

—Reuter.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB NOTICE TO MEMBERS ANNUAL RACE MEETING 1950

Saturday 14th, Monday 16th, Tuesday 17th,
Wednesday 18th and Saturday 21st January

The First Bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12.00 noon, each day. The tiffin interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

There are 10 races each day (50 in all). The "Peace Memorial Cup" is scheduled to be run on the third day, Tuesday, 17th January, at 3.30 p.m.

Through tickets at \$100 each may be obtained at the counter of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Telephone House, 2nd Avenue, 1st Floor, Tel. 27818. The latter may be purchased also at the Club's Telegraph Office, No. 392 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.

Members are reminded that they and their judges MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of a Member or Senior-Ladies and Gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$20—postage, including tax, for Ladies or personal introduction of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him and for payment of all debts etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's, Comptrollers' Office and the Secretary's Office will close at 12.00 a.m. each day. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Spy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3.— cash deposit/tax for all persons including judges, non-depayable extra/tax.

BOOKMAKERS, TICKET MEN ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PREMICES OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DURING THE RACE MEETING.

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

SERVANTS' PARADE.

Servants' passes will be issued to individuals, but holders only who have requested to distribute them. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the members' enclosure except for passage through their duties and must remain in their employer's stands.

BY ORDER,
JOHN CLUNIES ROSS,
Secretary.

Dairy Farm workers to start talks on arbitration procedure

Representatives of the Dairy Farm workers will meet the management today to start talks on procedure and technique to be adopted for settlement of their dispute by arbitration.

The workers had asked for the meeting to take place at 5 p.m. yesterday, but Mr. J. D. Thomson, manager of the Dairy Farm Company, was engaged, and the meeting was put off until today.

The decision to accept a settlement was arrived at by the Dairy Farm workers after much deliberation and negotiation, and over the objection of a die-hard element who insisted that arbitration was just a trap set by the management for the workers.

If agreement is reached today, the workers' representative and the manager will be calling the arbitration tribunal the next day, leaving the claim for arbitration, a day or two, to the discretion of the arbitration panel.

A letter to his effect was recently being prepared and will be delivered in the Hong Kong Tramway Limited today.

Another letter, couched in identical terms, will be sent to the Colonial Secretary also, urging government to intervene in bringing about an immediate resumption of the tram service.

The management made it clear that no more than 10 minutes would be taken from each tram to collect fares from passengers from either side. The rest of the arbitration will be finalised in a few hours.

No promise made

The management, in their letter to the management, the workers said they accepted the proposal, as to arbitration because Mr. Thomson had promised that it would mean an increase in wages. No such promise was made, it was pointed out. What Mr. Thomson had said was that the arbitration might save the men the full HK\$500 a month demanded. In fact that amount, as he rightly decided, was being given, but the demand of the company was that arbitration, and if the men were content, a word should be given by whatever award the arbitration might make.

On the tramway front there was no development. After receiving the reply from the Tramway Company that it would agree only to unconditional arbitration, the workers have shown no further reaction but are just waiting to see what next move their Union offers to make to break the stalemate now approaching the end of the third week.

Public reaction to the suspension of the tram service was shown at a meeting of the committee of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon, at which speakers expressed the view that the Tramway Company being a public utility concern, a private dispute between workers and management should not be allowed to

delay the resumption of the service.

Mr. Philip Jessup, who is leaving for Hong Kong on Tuesday, will visit Manila, Singapore, Rangoon and other Far Eastern points before attending the American diplomats' conference in Bangkok on February 13.—Reuter.

Peking property grab said instigated by Russian agents

Independent Chinese political observers in Hong Kong interpreted the seizure of foreign government property by officials of the new Chinese regime as Soviet Russia's determination to estrange Communist China further from the United States.

The observers said that Soviet Russia wants to make Communist China wholly dependent on her, although the Russians are not in a position to give China the assistance she really requires for rebuilding the nation.

They said that recent incidents in North China tend to indicate that Communist China is not eager for United States recognition.

"The incidents, they added, have more likely been instigated by Russia's international agents, Liu Shao-chi and Li Li-san, rather than by the Government itself."

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"Russia, they added, do not want anything to do with the United States because they fear the Soviet puppet states might fall under the influence of America."

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The observers said that what the United States is doing now is to help the Chinese Communists to establish diplomatic relations with the Government on the basis of equality and mutual respect of national sovereignty and territory." Vietnam Radio said today.

Dr. Ho Chi Minh, the Vietnamese (Indo-Chinese) autonomous leader, "is ready to establish diplomatic relations with any government willing to treat his Government on the basis of equality and mutual respect of national sovereignty and territory." Vietnam Radio said today.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

Another injustice

"Sir, Your paragraph on 'Who's Who' in Sunday's issue piled one more injustice on Old Ireland. If the McCabe is a Scotman then I am a Chinese Prince. Your reporter may possibly know who's who certainly doesn't know as much as the 'Akondi' of Swat, who knew 'wot's wot.' Because my friend, Thomas, 'halas from' Campbelltown why should he necessarily be a Scotman? My son 'halas from' (if that is Japanese for 'was born in') China, but you should have seen the fur fly when a youngster he was called a Chinese!"

Not let us just a drop of accuracy in local reporting: the whole troop of McCabes spring from (not like the O'Flaherty who spring "at" everybody) Co. Sligo—and believe me, they are still springing.

Yours etc.

VERITAS

Seventh Day Adventists conference

Leaders and representatives of the Seventh Day Adventist Mission in China will hold a seven-day conference at No. 2 Duke Street, Kowloon, beginning tomorrow.

Pastor E.D. Dick and E.J. Johnson, of Washington, DC, will attend the meeting.

Pastor Dick is world secretary of the General Conference of Seventh Day Adventists and of their Mission Board. Formerly a mission in Africa, he is a man of wide experience as a writer, speaker and world traveller. He will also speak in the Bible Auditorium, Chatham, and Modbury Roads, on Saturday at 4 p.m.

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Governor's timely remarks at NTC prize giving day

Reminders

Today

Urban Council meeting, GPO Bldg, 4:15 p.m.
Luis Chan one-man exhibition of paintings, Hotel Cerd, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
European YMCA, Bridge Drive, 8 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, Whist Drive, 8 p.m.
British Council lecture "The Age of Chaucer," Council Library, 5:30 p.m.
Annual Race Meeting, Race Course, Happy Valley, 8 p.m.
HK Football Association Council meeting, Princes' Bldg, 5:30 p.m.
HK Light Orchestra rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral hall, 6:45 p.m.
Cheers Services Club, Whist Drive, 7:45 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
Tue. 11 meeting, Mr. Macdonell Road, 8:30 p.m.
Annual Race Meeting, Happy Valley, 8 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, Dancing Class, 2:30 p.m.
Swing Spectacular, 9 p.m.
European YMCA, Women's Section Games Morning, 10 a.m.
Dancing Class for Services, European YMCA, 8 p.m.
Mahjong Class, 7 p.m.
European YMCA, Laundry and Dubbing Group, 8:45 p.m.
HK Amateur Radio Translating Society meeting, China Fleet Club Theatre, 8:30 p.m.

Appeal against Court ruling on profits tax

The Full Court yesterday granted an application by the Commissioner of Inland Revenue for leave to appeal to the Privy Council against the Court's ruling that a certain sum held by Jelkesen & Company of Pedder Building was not assessable to profits tax.

The Court had held that the deduction of the \$30,000.00 concerned was a capital appreciation and not a trading profit.

Mr. A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, made the application on behalf of the Commissioner of Inland Revenue.

The Full Court yesterday was composed of Sir Leslie Gilman, Chief Justice, and Mr. Justice Gould, Puisne Judge.

The matter was originally brought up before a Board of Review which held that the sum was not taxable. The Inland Revenue Department then brought the dispute before Mr. Justice Williams, Senior Puisne Judge, who ruled otherwise. Jelkesen & Company then appealed against Mr. Williams' decision before a Full Court, and succeeded. It is against the latter's decision that the present appeal to the Privy Council is directed.

GOLD SEIZED

Seventy-six gold bars weighing five tael each were seized by Revenue Officers on board the ss Landbris.

The gold valued at HK\$77,140 was ordered to be confiscated by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday on the application of Revenue Inspector Millington.

An application for the confiscation of 280 silver bars valued at HK\$1,012 was made by Revenue Inspector Millington at Central yesterday.

The silver was found on board the ss Tjibadah on January 14. No arrest was made.

The application was granted by Mr. Hin-shing Lo.

Totalitarian attempts to break up family life will never succeed because the basic fabric of human relationship hinges on the attitude of parents and teachers towards the young people of today, Sir Alexander Grantham, the Governor, told graduates of Northcote Training College yesterday.

Addressing the school on the occasion of the annual presentation of prizes and certificates, Sir Alexander declared that parents and teachers were the two main influences in human relationship.

"We should not try to make the State, which is cold and impersonal, the only thing to be venerated. Love of family permits also love of State and country," he added.

Veneration of the State at the expense of the family and was described by Sir Alexander as a fundamental wrong and a fundamental evil.

Alluding to the difficulties experienced by the NTC in its rehabilitation, he said it was not a bad thing to encounter a certain amount of difficulties because they reinforced the tenacity of purpose and determination to succeed.

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Teachers, the Governor said, might almost be described as "second parents," and their influences were perhaps felt nowhere more acutely than in China.

A teacher should base his attitude towards his pupil on love, mutual understanding and mutual respect. He required these three attributes:

1) Personal integrity and an upright character,

2) Inspiration to teach, and not an inclination to amass wealth;

3) Knowledge of his subject.

Sir Alexander concluded his short address with these words: "I want you to continue to remember when you become fully fledged in whatever school you go to, that you are the holders of the sacred trust, the trust of the minds of young people. Be true to that trust."

The Governor also took the opportunity of prefacing his address with a congratulation extended to Mr. T. R. Bowell, the Director of Education, who received an OBE in the King's New Year Honours List.

Lady Grantham distributed this year's prizes and certificates.

In his report Mr. A. L. Potter, the acting Principal of the Northcote Training College, said, in part:

"Since the last report both the number of students applying for entry into the College and the number leaving us qualified teachers has increased. My staff and I have endeavoured to maintain the high standard of our certified teachers which the people of Hong Kong have the right to expect from this College. We have had, however, to contend with two main difficulties in trying to attain our ideal. Firstly many of the students who come here have had their early education interrupted by the war and are lacking in the fundamental knowledge which is normally acquired by students before they commence their professional training. Much time has had to be spent in making up for these deficiencies. Secondly, the many changes in the staff of the College during the year have greatly upset the continuity of the training; there were very few courses which were completed under the same lecturers who had commenced them. In one case a course had to be abandoned after only two months and in another there was an interruption of one or two months.

"Generous allowances, amounting to nearly a quarter of a million dollars, are paid to student teachers in training. These allowances have attracted a large number of applicants for entry into the Chinese section of the College and from them I have been able to select students of good promise who will, when they qualify, join the ranks of teachers in the vernacular schools of the colony."

"Applications for entry into the English section have been much less numerous. The desirable minimum qualification for entry into this section is a good matriculation certificate. Few of the candidates possessed this and in order to form an English section of suitable size I have had to accept students who have passed only the School Certificate Examination."

"It is felt that owing to the uncertainty of the future economic state of the Colony it will be necessary to devise a means of attracting students without asking the tax payer to foot a bill of \$220,000 annually. The pay and allowances of certified teachers coupled with the prospect of advancement should be sufficient attraction to young people really desirous of entering the teaching profession."

New proposal

"I have been asked by the Director of Education, to examine a proposal which he has placed before the Senate of the University by which University graduates who wished to become teachers may come to this college for the equivalent of a one year diploma course which would also be attended by the best of our students who had completed their two years training for a certificate. The success of such a scheme will depend on having experienced staff comparable with the lecturers at the University and who



Photo shows Lady Grantham presenting certificates at Northcote Training College yesterday ("China Mail" Photo).

Earth coolie faces committal proceedings on murder charge

The story of how a Chinese earth coolie attacked another man with a chopper on December 5, inflicting 11 wounds on the head that rendered him unconscious was related by Detective Sub-Inspector A. F. Cochrane at Central yesterday.

Before Mr Thomas Tam, an earth coolie, Chong Li-ki, aged 35, faced committal proceedings on a charge of attempted murder of Chong Ki-wun, aged 30, unemployed.

Defendant was additionally charged with wounding and causing grievous bodily harm.

DSI Cochrane said that the attempted murder took place at an unnumbered hut on the hillside in a place known as Sung Ti just below Pokfulam Road.

On December 5, a Chinese man named Chong Ma-po, a cattle hand at the Dairy Farm, made a report to the Police of how he was an eye witness to the attack on the complainant by the defendant and how he attempted to intervene and later reported to Chong Mo-po who in turn reported to the police.

A detective and a constable went to the scene and found a Chinese man (complainant) lying on the hillside with very serious injuries to his head. He was able to give his name to the police and was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital.

A general search of the hillside was made by the police but nothing was found. Clothing and other articles were taken away by the Police at that time.

As a result of certain information received by the police, a party of police officers went to Cha Kwo Lang the same evening and there defendant was arrested.

Destroying paper

The defendant was searched and a piece of cigarette paper bearing certain Chinese characters was taken away from him as he was in the act of destroying it. It read: "Wong Kok please note, come with You secretly without delay, P.S. There is a suit of white clothing on the left hand side of the motor road walking up from Sung Ti. Send someone to fetch the clothing."

This would appear, continued DSI Cochrane, as if defendant wanted to destroy the clothing or at least get it out of the way before it fell into the hands of the Police.

The defendant was taken back to the Western Police Station where he was interviewed by Detective Sub-Inspector Hung Hung-cheung who speaks the defendant's dialect.

Defendant in his caution statement mentioned that he had thrown away the chopper and the contents of the lotter, resulting in the Police returning the same day to the scene of the attack.

During the search a jacket on the hillside which was slightly blood stained was found—this jacket was identified by the defendant as his own. Complainant was discharged from the Hospital on January 13.

Family food

A caulked statement made by defendant read: "This man Chong Ki-wan had some feud with my family and he killed my father and younger brother. I had been looking for him to take revenge but he managed to get away."

"Later he returned to look for me to take revenge. He fired at me and missed me, but killed my cousin. On account of the above the hatred for him was never washed out of my heart."

"In the first moon of this year I and my wife came back to Hong Kong. Later I alone returned to Swatow. About two months ago before the Communists occupied Swatow, I came back to Hong Kong again and built a straw hut on the hillside at Pokfulam."

"On December 5 at 10:30 a.m. I was sleeping alone in my hut when I suddenly saw complainant came in front of me. 'My head was frightened and I stood up to take him. I had a fight with him and later I got hold of a chopper and chopped complainant considerably. Complainant was injured

Painter to stand trial on arms charge

Appearing before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday on a charge of possession of an automatic pistol and five rounds of ammunition without a license Chan Kwong, 24-year-old painter, was committed to stand trial at the next session.

Chan Kwong, who had been found guilty by Mr. Lo last week on a charge of conspiring to rob the Shui Fung Goldsmith Shop at 410 Hennessy Road on January 3, was sentenced to serve 24 months hard labour on the charge.

Detective Sub-Inspector C. Pope said that as a result of several robberies at goldsmith shops recently and with the approach of the Chinese New Year, special patrol pickets had been posted by the Eastern Criminal Intelligence Department.

On January 3, two Chinese detectives, on duty outside the Shui Fung Goldsmith shop saw the defendant approach and behave in a suspicious manner. They searched him and found a pistol tucked inside his girdle while five rounds of ammunition were found in his jacket.

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A detective and a constable went to the scene and found a Chinese man (complainant) lying on the hillside with very serious injuries to his head. He was able to give his name to the police and was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital.

A general search of the hillside was made by the police but nothing was found. Clothing and other articles were taken away by the Police at that time.

As a result of certain information received by the police, a party of police officers went to Cha Kwo Lang the same evening and there defendant was arrested.

The concluding phase of the five-day-old Tiger Mansions murder trial was reached yesterday when counsels for the prosecution and the defence finished their closing addresses to the jury at 5:15 p.m.

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Mr. Y. K. Mok is representing the first accused, instructed by DSI Cochrane, as if defendant wanted to destroy the clothing or at least get it out of the way before it fell into the hands of the Police.

The defendant was taken back to the Western Police Station where he was interviewed by Detective Sub-Inspector Hung Hung-cheung who speaks the defendant's dialect.

Defendant in his caution statement mentioned that he had thrown away the chopper and the contents of the lotter, resulting in the Police returning the same day to the scene of the attack.

During the search a jacket on the hillside which was slightly blood stained was found—this jacket was identified by the defendant as his own. Complainant was discharged from the Hospital on January 13.

First accused maintains that the deceased accidentally ran into his own dagger, which accused said he had wrested from deceased's hand during a short fight between the two. He denied having had any intention of going to the place to rob, but claimed he did go there to ask the deceased to pay back \$10 which he handed him some months previously.

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2. Details of renewal procedure were published in press notices on the 12th/14th December 1949.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

Hong Kong Jan. 16, 1950.

THE HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

FOR THE CEREMONIAL OPENING OF ASSIZES

As previously announced, the Assizes commencing on Wednesday, January 18, 1950; being the first Assize of the present year, will be opened, ex-

eminently:

There will be a special Service at St. John's Cathedral at 9.15 a.m. which will be attended by His Honour the Chief Justice, the Judges, the Law Officers and members of both legal professions.

After the Church Service at about 10 a.m. His Honour and the Judges will proceed to the Supreme Court; and before the pleas are taken, His Honour will address the Court on matters touching the administration of Justice in this Colony.

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Police Constable alleged to have demanded bribe

An allegation that Police Constable No. 263, Shao King-shan, went to a bar on the roof of 10 Gough Street and there at the point of his gun demanded \$400 from five Chinese men was made by Mak Pan, before Mr. A. D. Scholten, Control yesterday. Mak is one of the five defendants charged with assaulting a police officer.

The five defendants, Tsang Siu-hee, aged 22, Mak Pan, aged 36, Wong Kwan, aged 18, Ho Kam, aged 22, and Lai Kai, aged 37, were charged with assaulting Police Constable 263. They were all represented by Mr. J. C. Stewart and pleaded not guilty while the case for the prosecution was conducted by Inspector H. B. Dewar.

The case for the prosecution alleged that on January 1 at 8.45 p.m. Police Constable 263 was on duty in Queen's Road Central.

The constable, the prosecution alleged, acting on information received, went to the roof of 10 Gough Street. On the roof was a window but out of which 10 men ran. The constable arrested one of them.

There were opium lumps in the hut. While the constable was collecting the lumps, the prosecution said, the five defendants grabbed hold of the constable and refused to let him go.

A party of police later arrived. On arriving, the constable demanded that the five defendants be let go and that he be allowed to telephone for the Police. The constable tried to run away.

Mak Pan, second defendant, said that on January 1 at 8.45 a.m. he went to the roof of the house and when she went up she heard the constable demand \$400 from the defendants. She told the defendants not to let the constable go and then went and telephoned for the Police. When the Police arrived she had already gone to the market.

The constable then accused the defendants of running an opium den. Hearing to 11.30 a.m. today.

Li Pak-sum, in evidence said, that on January 1 he heard a commotion on the roof of the house and when she went up she heard the constable demand \$400 from the defendants. She told the defendants not to let the constable go and then went and telephoned for the Police. When the Police arrived she had already gone to the market.

Later Police Constable 263 arrived and pointing his gun at the defendants said "Don't move."

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The cost of the auditorium will be about \$800,000. Land and equipment will be added in addition to this. The project is being financed by the Mission Board of the General Congregation of the Seventh Day Adventist, which has contributed half of the cost, and by the denomination's China Division. Donations from friends in the Hong Kong area make up the remainder.

Giving details of the project, Pastor Appel said the Urban Council has given permission for the construction, and all plans have been drawn up and now await signature.

The building will stand on a large tract of land, and will accommodate several church and educational undertakings in addition to the lecture hall.

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Court Brevities

A police constable condemned in court by Mr. F. X. D'Almeida yesterday for refusing a \$3 bribe offered him.

Li Ping Chuen, however, received a bribe of \$100 or two months, for his part in the case. Li was charged with offering the bribe. The prosecution said that defendant was observed to be squatting in a suspicious manner. When approached by the constable, Li offered \$3 so as not to be arrested.

Mr. James Wicks criticised the drafting out of the charge sheet in court when a man was brought up on a charge of common assault.

Tse Fat, defendant, was fined \$25 and made to pay \$100 in compensation, in addition to which he was also bound over in the sum of \$100 for good behaviour for inflicting a wound in the skull of his co-defendant.

"Had you (defendant) applied a little more strength with that axe, you would be standing here now charged with murder," the magistrate said, addressing Tse. Mr. Wicks then told the court inspector that the charge in this case should have been "homicide bodily harm" or "attempted murder." He also ordered that in future charge sheets were to be made out in true explanation of his offence.

Joseph Chan, Singapore-born Chinese of no fixed abode in Hong Kong, pleaded guilty to five charges of obtaining money under false pretences.

Chan was slated to have approached a Catholic priest in Kowloon from whom he received charity. Defendant later appeared and claimed that he had obtained a good job at the Tolo Docks. He met several persons and promised to employ them as coolies, telling them that he had authority on behalf of the Tolo Docks.

Defendant charged key money and absconded when the day arrived for him to meet the coolies and take them to Tolo. He was later arrested. Chan was remanded for three days pending sentence.

A former police constable, was fined \$500 or two months for impersonating a police officer. It was stated that Li Po Kien used his police discharge papers to claim a debt on behalf of another whom defendant was alleged to have been hired. Li denied the charge, saying that he had told complainant that he was merely a former police officer. On evidence led by the prosecution, Mr. Wicks convicted Li.

Fifteen months' hard labour was imposed on Cha Hui-foo for a pick-pocket offence. The prosecution stated that Cha committed the offence immediately upon his arrival from Clinton. He had been in the Colony for nearly a day when he was arrested. After serving his term, Cha will be banished.

Local congregations will all meet at the new auditorium.

Seventh Day Adventist undertakings in Hong Kong are controlled by the South China Island Union, located in Vientiles, Rangoon. The Mission's former headquarters in Shanghai has moved to Hong Kong temporarily. This organization is maintaining the China Training Institute at Clear Water Bay, where a large number of students are receiving advanced training in Christian work. They come from all parts of China.

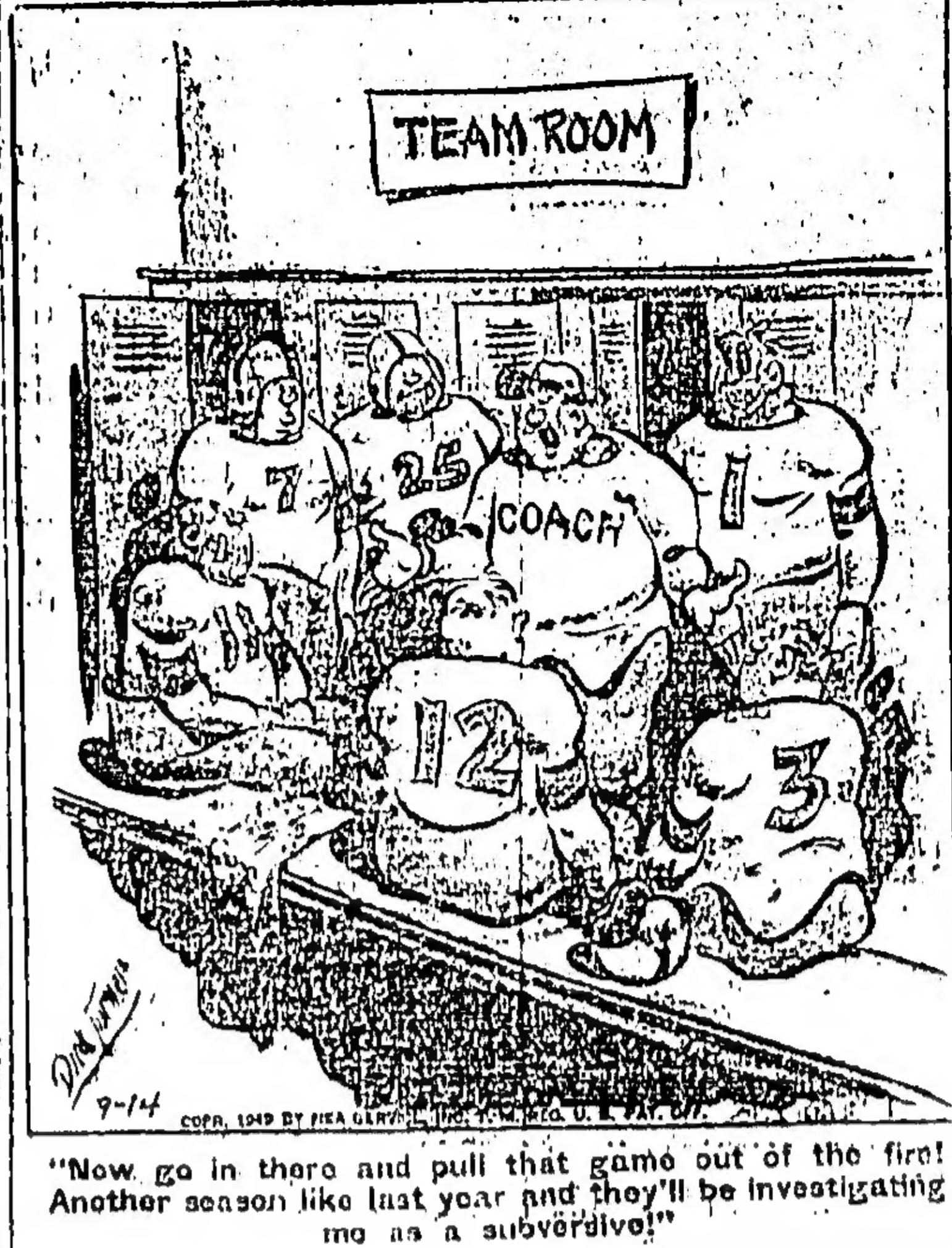
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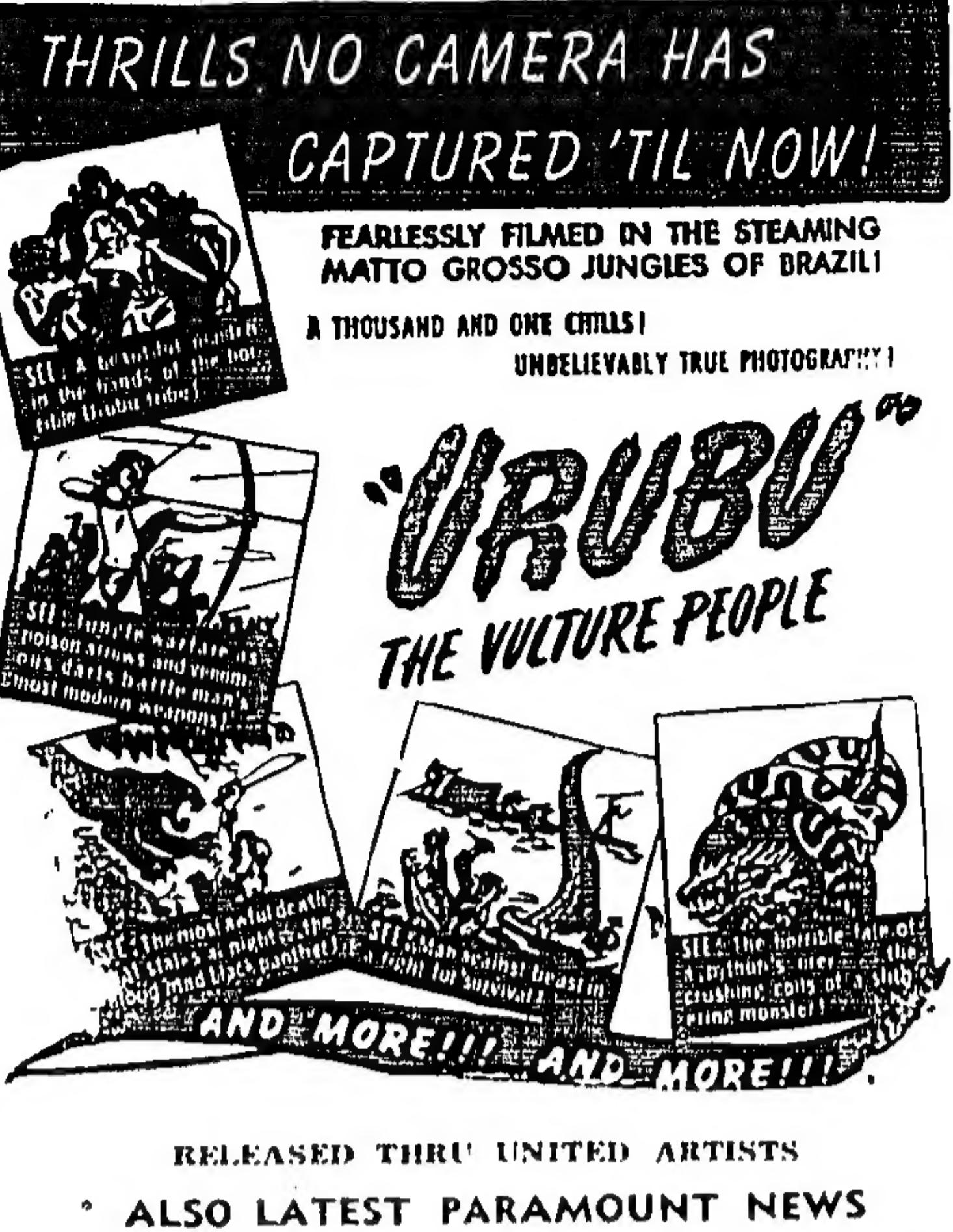
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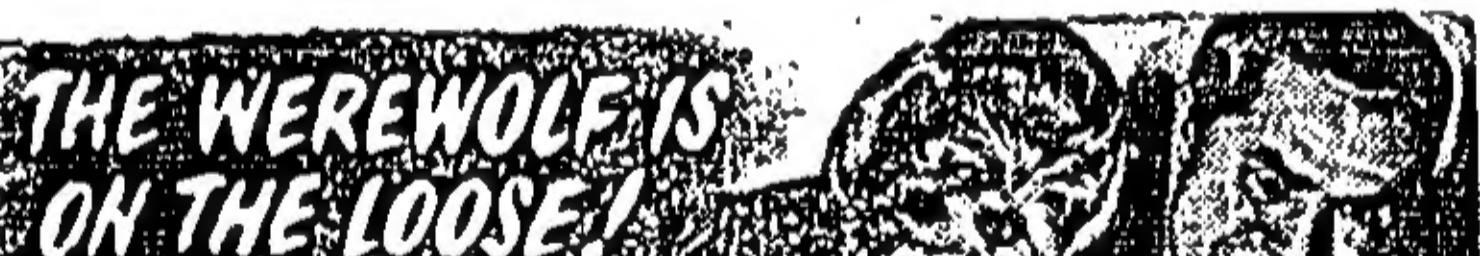
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DEATH

BARCLAY died suddenly at 16 Stanley Terrace on 15th January, Thomas Charles Beloved Husband of Esther McLachlan Funeral Service at Colonial Cemetery Chapel at 4.30 p.m. today, Tuesday, 17th January. Cremation to follow. No flowers by request.

THE SQUATTER SCANDAL

The local authorities, during the week-end, authorised the clearing of the squatter camp, in the Kowloon City area, involved in the recent big fire.

Meanwhile, the homeless are being cared for in churches, schools, and other premises. More than 15,000 homeless persons have already registered, and the official in immediate charge of relief said he expects the number to reach 20,000. In spite of the fury of the fire, there were no casualties. This was the second fire of the same kind within five weeks. Had they occurred in the dead of night instead of in broad daylight that part of the story would have been tragically different.

These happenings ought to provoke some furious thinking. They are a renewed warning to the petty Chauvinists who in the past have played irresponsible politics with such problems. They justify the efforts of the Government to do away with these scandalous and perilous squatter camps. Above all, they invite us to consider whether much more ought not to be done to deal with this problem in a civilised and sensible manner. It was never a problem of sovereignty, whatever the site, and to raise an uproar on the basis of human rights is to turn the nature of the problem upside down. If human rights are involved, as they are, the point is that people should never have to live in such circumstances, especially when so many are employed in important Chinese Government and Hong Kong industrial and other enterprises.

The considerations involve the most elementary issues of sanitation, safety, sanity and resettlement. The squatter camps were a scandal and a disgrace. They implied the acceptance of standards lower than the social ideas of the Middle Ages.

Quite frankly, we don't know how to take the difference of the Colonial Office official who seemed so uncertain whether it would or would not be appropriate to convey an expression of concern and sympathy to the victims of the fire. But no Government or public opinion—however jaundiced some sections of that opinion may be—can afford to tolerate such shocking conditions.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies gave their peoples a New Year slogan: "Fight for the future." He urged them to co-operate with Britain in promoting their steady advance to better living and greater responsibility. These two things are at the root of policy nowadays and are the text of repeated declarations. Hong Kong cannot be excluded from them, whatever political uncertainty may exist. And yet there is neither provision nor appropriate machinery for Whitehall still maintains silence on the Constitutional reform projects.

The Municipal Improve-

FOOD HUMBUG EXPOSED

By Dr. Franklin Bicknell

all edible. But meat is meat in a White Paper, and whether or not you eat it, that's your affair.

Utterly wrong

Facts are stated in the introduction to this White Paper to be nearly 20 per cent. above those of 1946. This statement is utterly wrong.

If one takes the trouble to read a little further and look at the figures of what Britons have been eating one sees that from fats being 20 per cent up they are 2 per cent down. Indeed, they are lower than they ever were at any stage during the war, and, of course, far lower than before the war.

What the preface meant to say was that margarine, "compound cooking fat," etc., were in-

creased recently by 20 per cent, but this increase is not as great as the loss of fat from having less meat and bacon.

It is poor comfort to the British housewife to have more "compound cooking fat" and margarine with which she cannot fry. In place of the meat dripping and bacon fat with both of which she can fry.

Nor, indeed, are these odd fats as valuable for bodies as genuine animal fats. And no Britons will be very cheered to see Britons are still only getting half their pre-war butter.

Small eggs

Eggs again are a sorry story. Britain appears to be the only country in the world that cannot produce her own. But eggs are a

most valuable form of nourishment. That is obvious when one remembers that the egg contains everything necessary to build the healthy body of the chick, and so to build our own too.

Yet this year Britons have had 17 per cent fewer eggs and dried eggs than they had in the last year of the war. This is largely because so few dried eggs have been imported, and the increase in shell eggs has not made up for this.

And even the extra shell eggs they do get never appear to be either fresh or English. They also always appear to be very small-pullets in fact. It cannot really be true that all the countries which send eggs keep only pullets and never fowls. But it is very odd.

Sugar puzzle

Many more mysteries are buried in the White Paper. Perhaps it is morbid to dig them up. But it would be interesting to know why Britons are eating 17 per cent less sugar than before the war, though the peoples of our own Empire, for instance in the Bahamas, want us to import more.

And why is Britain importing 20 times as much jam and marmalade as she did pre-war, though English fruit this summer rotted in the fields?

Or again, why are Britons eating so few dried peas and beans—which are truly valuable foods—or why have Britons so little dried fruit, far less than at any time since 1943? If dollars are the reason, could not Spain have replaced California?

There is a bright side, however. This year each Briton has had one-third of a pint more fresh milk a week than he had the last year of the war; rabbits have gone up by nearly half an ounce a week; oranges and lemons by 1½ ounces a week; and pineapples by 2 ounces.

Rejoice! The best has been kept to the end. All in all Britons have been getting 3 per cent more calories this year than last and 1 per cent more than in the last year of the war.

Health worse

The results on the diet we can see in health. With the increasing use of new drugs like penicillin it should be much better.

But the last Ministry of Health monthly bulletin states: "It can be concluded that the health of men and women of working age during the first three months of 1949 was poorer than a year previous; and that during February and March 1949 it was poorer than during those same months in the harsh winter of 1947."

The health of older men and women was also worse than in the March quarters of 1947 and 1948.

The average weight of children, bolstered up by school meals and school milk, should be as good as, or better than, it was in the last year of the war. But it was definitely lower in 1947, and the similar figures as yet available suggest it was worse again in 1948.

An increase in tuberculosis of the lungs has always been thought to be one of the truest indications that a nation was being improperly nourished. Today, thanks to new drugs and new treatments, and also because before the war tuberculosis was declining, one would expect tuberculosis to be better than ever before. But it is not so. The last year of the war there were 42,100 new cases, and last year 43,800.

Britain's worse health, thinner children, rising tuberculosis can only be explained by her food. Indeed, knowing about health, one could have guessed what would be in the White Paper. Or, reading the White Paper, one could have foretold the country's sad state of health.

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PEKING SEIZURE WAS RETALIATORY ACTION

Non-recognition by U.S. cause of move
LONDON INTERPRETATION

London, January 15.

News of the seizure of American, French and Dutch property in Peking has created an impression in London diplomatic quarters that the Chinese Government is not prepared to remain neutral towards countries which have so far not decided to recognise it.

These gestures are interpreted here as a direct and vigorous reprisal for failure to recognise the Chinese Government on the part of three countries substantially interested in the Far East — through American Republican support for Taiwan (Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's remaining stronghold), French interest in Indo-China and Dutch interest in Indonesia.

A spokesman of the Foreign Office said tonight that so far no replies have been received from the French or Dutch Governments to Britain's offer to act on their behalf in Peking in view of the reported seizure of property belonging to them.

CONCERN ON PEKING INCIDENT

London, January 15.
A communist seizure of American property in Peking has caused serious concern among British officials, reliable sources said tonight.

Meanwhile considerable haze surrounded the recent British offer extending recognition to the Chinese Communists.

British officials were already paying considerable note to criticism from other members of the Commonwealth on British recognition of Communist China, the informants said, and the new action directed at the Americans gave them additional cause for worry.

Foreign Office sources said the British Consul-General in Peking has been instructed to ask the Communist Foreign Office there for further explanation of its reply to the British offer of recognition.

This explanation, these sources said, involves clarification of the Communist invitation for a British representative to come to Peking to "negotiate" recognition.

Spokesmen at the Foreign Office declined comment in reports that the United States had asked Britain to join in a protest to the Communists over seizure of American property in Peking.

The Foreign Office has forwarded to Peking an American protest over threatened seizure of U.S. property. This was based on earlier threats by the Communists to expel American officials and not on the actual occupation of the American Consulate-General.

Associated Press

Pakistan's decision on rupee

Colombo, January 15.
The Pakistani Finance Minister, Gulam Mohammed, said here today that the decision not to devalue the rupee was made because his country was not willing to accept dictation nor be camp followers.

Mr. Gulam, at a reception given for him by Moslems and Pakistanis living here, said Pakistan had felt that economic freedom might be even more important than political freedom. He added that he was becoming more convinced, as time went on, that the decision not to devalue together with Britain and other Commonwealth countries had been a wise one.

Referring to a statement reported to have been made by the Indian Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, that Pakistan was apprehensive, Mr. Gulam admitted that it was probably true and added: "Apprehension may be the price of freedom."

Pakistan had enjoyed two years of freedom and that should have brought better understanding and atmosphere, he said. —United Press.

TRAIN DERAILED

Calcutta, January 15.
Six were killed and two others seriously injured in a goods train derailment 50 miles South-East of Lucknow.

The derailment occurred this morning. —Reuter.

Britain's decision to convey to the Chinese Government America's protest against the seizure of the United States Consulate General in the Chinese capital gives effect to the British view that after the recent exchange of notes Britain is now in diplomatic relations with Peking.

Britain agreed several days ago to transfer to the Chinese Communist Government an American protest against the then threatened seizure by the Chinese authorities of United States Consulate in Peking, it was learned today.

Britain which has recognised the Communist regime while the United States has not sent the protest to Mr. W. G. Grahame, British Consul-General in Peking.

It is not yet known whether the protest has been delivered to the Chinese Government.

The State Department in Washington announced yesterday that the seizure had now taken place.

British view

Britain's decision gives effect to the British view that after the recent exchange of notes Britain is now in diplomatic relations with Peking.

It is understood that Britain has officially agreed to look after American interests in China while Washington is not itself in diplomatic relations with the Chinese Government.

In the British view, this decision and the move to convey the American protest note are possible on the assumption that Britain and the Chinese People's Government are already in diplomatic relations.

To this extent the instruction to the British Consul-General in Peking, Mr. Graham, to pay a further call on the Chinese Foreign Ministry to convey the American note has frustrated the Chinese Government's proposal that there should be further negotiations between Britain and China to establish diplomatic relations.

Mr. Graham was told this week-end to clarify this Chinese proposal.

Rumpus in U.S.

The U.S. State Department decision to recall American diplomats from Communist China lit the fuse today for a new explosion in the U.S. Senate over Orient policies. Demands arose for a full bipartisan review of the whole China question.

A State Department spokesman said today American groups at Shanghai and Nanking acknowledged receiving orders to leave China along with U.S. diplomats at Peking.

Mr. Michael J. McDermott, Department Press Officer, said it was assumed that all American officials in China are proceeding at once on their orders to get out.

However, even if Communist authorities co-operate in this mass exodus, it is expected to take at least a month — possibly much longer — before it is completed.

He said the seizure of the American compound in Peking, which houses the Embassy office, was carried out by the Communists at 8:30 a.m. (China time) on Saturday.

American officials required time to clear out their files and possessions and were finally given until midnight today (China time) to complete the task. It was therefore assumed in Washington that the job was completed without incident.

Very courteous

Reports to the State Department from the Consul-General, Mr. O. Edmund Gish, said that the Chinese had been very courteous in their treatment of the Americans.

Mr. McDermott said that the seizure of the Netherlands and the French properties was set in motion on Friday — evidently when the Communist police first showed up — and was completed on Saturday.

PLEBISCITE IN CYPRUS

Cyprus, January 15.

About 90 per cent of the 250,000 Greek Cypriots were reliably estimated to have voted today in the Church-sponsored plebiscite for union with Greece.

The voting will continue until January 22. —Reuter.

Hutchison not going to Peking

London, January 15.
The Foreign Office said today that the Chinese Communist Premier, Chou En-lai's, reply to Britain's offer of recognition referred to Mr. J. C. Hutchison, British diplomat nominated for the post of Charge d'Affaires in Peking, as "the British representative to Peking for the purpose of carrying on negotiations on the question of establishing diplomatic relations."

Diplomatic quarters said the Foreign Office rejects the idea that it was sending Mr. Hutchison to "negotiate" on the establishment of relations. It was sending him to represent Britain in the capital of Communist China after relations have started. Until the issue is clarified, these quarters said, Mr. Hutchison will remain in Nanking. —United Press.

Major blow to Western unity seen

Tokyo, January 15.
Communist China's latest scrap with the United States will result in the shelving of plans for an early Japanese peace conference and probably will indefinitely postpone the reopening of Japan's vital trade with China, well-informed sources said here today.

Neither American nor Japanese officials would comment for publication on the ordered American diplomatic withdrawal from China, but in private reaction they and unofficial observers here saw the Communist action as a major blow to the Western unity in Far Eastern affairs and to Japan's hopes for economic recovery and independence.

The Communist Reds of violating treaties which this Government considers still to be in force, including both a pact made at the time of the Boxer Rebellion 50 years ago and a 1943 Chinese-American treaty which brought the relations of the two countries up to date.

Delaying U.S. recognition

From a Democrat-Senator Walter George of Georgia came a suggestion that the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, go to Capitol Hill to give a first-hand account of developments and discuss his newly proclaimed policy for dealing with Communism in Asia.

From a Republican-Senator Wayne Morse of Oregon came a proposal for bipartisan review of the China problem.

Other Republicans were poised for a second round of lambasting the Administration's China programme when the Senate meets again on Tuesday. Democrats as well as Republicans seemed agreed that the Chinese Communists' action in seizing the American Consular office will delay and possibly prevent diplomatic recognition of the Communist regime by this Country.

Chairman Tom Connelly, Democratic of Texas, of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and Senator Arthur Vandenberg of Michigan, its senior Republican member, both have specified that willingness to abide by international law is a prerequisite to recognition of any regime. They have said this includes courteous treatment of foreign diplomats.

Senior George said he supported the decision to withdraw U.S. diplomats from Red China because he thinks there was nothing else this country could do. He said a foreign policy that had been "lacking in definiteness, contradiction, and inconsistency" in the past had led to the present situation.

"I do not justify what has gone before in this policy, but in the light of present conditions I do not see any other course that could have been taken," he said.

Mr. George said Mr. Acheson's present policy toward Asia seemed to be to "give the Russians more rope in the hope they will hang themselves."

Senator Millard Tydings said in a radio talk that "no matter what our policy might have been, internal conditions in China made the doom of the Nationalist regime inevitable."

The Maryland Democrat called "rau" "more of a liability than an asset" for American defences. Republicans generally have been demanding that something be done to keep Taiwan out of Communist hands lest it become a menace to the U.S. Pacific defence line. —Reuter and Associated Press.

Surprise move by Gasperi

Rome, January 15.
Premier Alcide de Gasperi, in an unexpected move, today resumed consultations with the Liberal, Republican and Right Wing Socialist Party leaders.

Signor de Gasperi cut short his outing in Albano, 15 miles South of Rome, to speed up work for the formation of his sixth Cabinet, entrusted to him yesterday by President Luigi Einaudi.

The Premier first received Liberal leaders, discussing the Liberal point of view on agrarian reform, administrative and electoral laws and enactment of a popular referendum.

After the conference, the Liberal spokesmen said they had not "encountered any insurmountable difficulties."

Signor de Gasperi later received Republican leaders, who told the Press at the end of the conference that they had expressed to the Premier their desire for a "truly efficient coalition Government which should last two years."

After the Republicans, Signor de Gasperi received the Right Wing Socialist delegation.

Meanwhile, the Communist leader, Palmiro Togliatti, abandoned his speech at Milan.

The Communist Party announced that "owing to political engagements," Signor Togliatti could not appear.

The Party two days ago announced its demands "for radical changes in internal and foreign policy" by the Government as the only conditions for maintaining peace in the present "grave national condition."

—United Press.

PEKING RADIO MAKES ATTACK ON TRUMAN

San Francisco, January 15.

The Chinese Communist radio said today that President Truman "lied" when he said the United States would pursue a hands-off policy in Taiwan.

The radio said the Peking press headlined the story, "Truman makes a statement of lies to cover up United States aggression on Taiwan."

The Communist broadcast continued that President Truman's statement was "extremely hypocritical in statement justifying American actions in Taiwan."

It added that the world is well aware of the United States "aggressive activities on Taiwan especially the recent large shipments of arms" to the Nationalist regime.

The radio said that on the same day that President Truman pronounced that the United States would not provide military aid to Taiwan, the US Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, told the Press that the Nationalists could still purchase arms in the United States legally.

It said that five days later the United Press reported that a Turkish freighter was loading tanks and armoured cars for Taiwan at Philadelphia.

It said that the tanks, which cost \$30,000 each, were sold to the Nationalists at \$1,000.

Acheson attacked

The radio also attacked Mr. Acheson, who allegedly said the United States does not intend to establish bases in Taiwan for the time being.

It also quoted Mr. Acheson as saying that in case of any armed attack against American forces in Taiwan the United States forces would have to be free to take all measures they may see fit.

The Communist broadcast said that Peking circles interpreted this statement as revealing that the American imperialists "have not entirely given up their scheme to invade Taiwan." —United Press.

YEN ON ROLE OF TAIPEH

Taipei, January 15.

Premier Marshal, Yen Hsi-shan, told American Roving Ambassador, Dr. Philip Jessup, tonight that Nationalist China is fighting in the vanguard of a world war against aggression.

He said, "It is a struggle not only for the independence and freedom of China but also for the continuation of peace and welfare of all human kind."

The Premier said the visit to Taiwan of Dr. Jessup "with unsurpassed wisdom and a peace-loving heart will bring new hope to the people of the Far East who are making a bid for peace and justice."

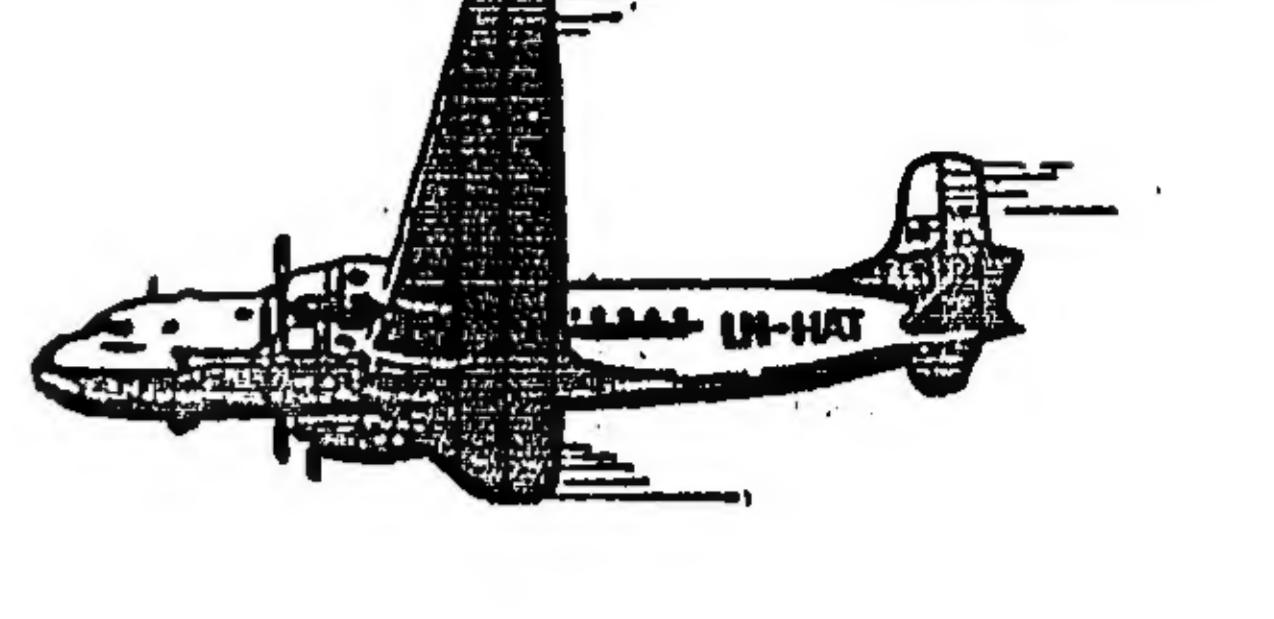
"Communism is unfit for human life and is against the traditional Chinese culture."

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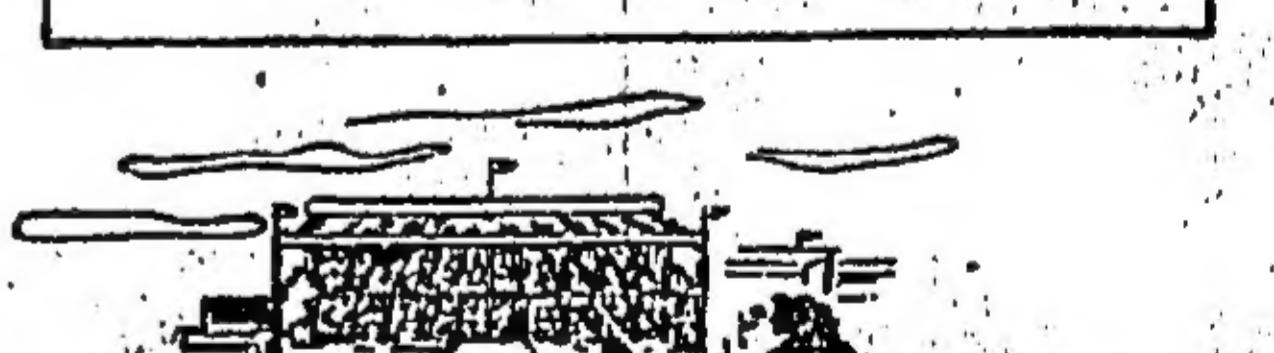
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The Prince and Princess Aly Khan are seen in the clinic at Lausanne, Switzerland, with their infant daughter Yasmin, born on December 28. This is one of the first pictures the Princess (formerly the screen actress Rita Hayworth) has permitted to be made of the baby.—AP Photo.

**NATIONALISTS
CONFIDENT OF
SUCCESS IN UN**

Lake Success, January 15. Nationalist Chinese sources said today that their delegation can fight off any attempt by Chinese Communist sympathizers to expel them from the United Nations Little Assembly which meets on Monday.

The Nationalists remain in the UN Security Council on a three to six vote, including their own.

It appears they will be able to keep their council seat for an indefinite time.

"If the Security Council, five of whose 11 members have recognized the Chinese Communists did not unseat us, then the Little Assembly is unlikely to," said a Nationalist spokesman.

"Most of the members of the UN have not recognized the Communists."

The Little Assembly will take up the Nationalist delegate, Dr. T. F. Tsiang's, charge that Soviet Russia violated old treaties with the Nationalists and gave military and other aid to the Chinese Communists.

That, says Dr. Tsiang, endangers the peace of the Far East.

The UN General Assembly in its last session voted hands off policy on China but said that the Little Assembly could study any further charges, even to the point of having the Secretary-General report the case to the Security Council.

Dr. Tsiang has not made known whether he will repeat his demands that UN members withhold all aid from the Chinese Communists and refuse them diplomatic recognition.

Dr. Tsiang withdrew his demands in the General Assembly, and a dozen nations, including Britain, have since recognized the Communist regime. — Associated Press.

**GERMAN PRINCE
AS FARMER**

Johannesburg, January 15. Prince Hubertus of Prussia, grandson of the late Kaiser, has arrived here on his way to South West Africa to begin sheep farming.

His brother, Prince Friedrich Wilhelm, was with Prince Hubertus but is returning to Europe after a month's stay here.

Prince Hubertus' wife, Magdalene, and their two daughters, intend to join him in the summer.

— Reuter.

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The railway is expected to carry Northward a large amount of freight which has been unable to pierce the Nationalist sea blockade at Shanghai, returning with China produce and other raw materials.

The radio also announced the restoration of the Peking-Hankow and Hankow-Canton railways, forming the longest single rail-line in China linking North and South.—United Press.

TAIPEH BREAKS WITH SWEDEN

Taipei, January 15. The Chinese Nationalist Foreign Office announced tonight severance of relations with Sweden following that country's recognition of the Peking Communists. Associated Press.

SALVAGE WORK ON SUNKEN SUBMARINE

London, January 15. Salvage work will begin tomorrow on the British submarine Truculent which sank in the Thames Estuary last Thursday with the loss of 64 lives after colliding with the Swedish motor tanker Divina.

The Royal Navy has finished its work of inspection.

Divers who went down to the sunken submarine found the engine room telegraph on the conning tower showing "Stop Engines". This would indicate that the submarine might have been trying to check her way after sighting the Divina and to avoid the collision.

The Divina, which was detained by the Admiralty last Friday, was released yesterday and sailed for Ipswich, on the East Coast.

A survivor from Truculent, Dennis Griffiths, today said, "The engines had stopped for about half a minute and then the skipper shouted 'hard astern' but we had no chance to go astern."

The bows went down and Truculent sank very smoothly, he said.

A buoy was released at 7:10 p.m. GMT then flooding arrangements were carried out.

"Very orderly" "At the depth we were about 48 feet, which we could read on the indicator—it would

take about three-quarters of an hour for us to flood the compartment.

"The escape hatch was made ready, the canvas chute lowered and the First Lieutenant, who had to open the hatch, was the first to leave. We left in very orderly way. Although we had very little air, the boys were joking. One had just got his cigarette and was offering them at three half-pence for 20, but there were no offers."

"I was about the 18th or 19th to leave and there were three or four left behind me. I got out without an escape apparatus."

When he reached the surface he saw hundreds of lights about.

"The Divina seemed to be zigzagging. We were all shouting. The Divina picked up 10 of us, of whom five had no escape apparatus. When I came up the Divina was two or three miles from us," Griffiths said.

Meanwhile a midget submarine with tractor treads is being tested in Florida for its possibilities as a rescuer of trapped crews in sunken underwater craft.

The \$50,000 two-man submarine was built by the inventor Harry H. Hamlin of Cortland, New York.

Only 12 feet long, it can sink to the bottom, creep around on its tank-like tractor treads and remain submerged for 96 hours with one man or 32 hours with two men, it is claimed.

Mr. Hamlin said that his tiny craft could be re-designed to take the place of the diving bell as a means of escape.

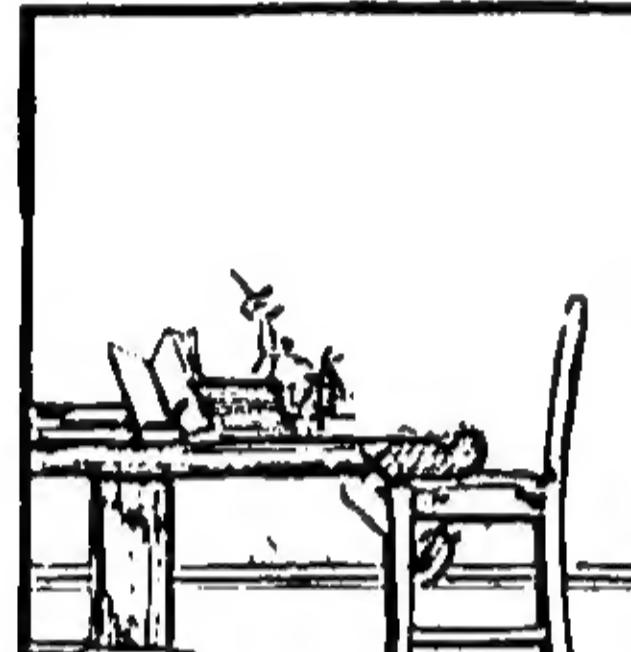
He added: "When a salvage officer wants to know what is going on on the bottom he must look through the eyes of the diver who is punch-drunk from pressure."

"Our craft will do away with this second-hand information by allowing the officer in charge to go down and look over the situation."—Reuter.

JAPANESE BAN ON TRADE MARKS

Tokyo, January 16. The Japanese Government will ban the trade marks of the now defunct giant cartels, such as Mitsui and Mitsubishi until 1953, according to the news agency Jiji.

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Engineer sets which enable children to build their own models have just arrived at the store from abroad.

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Other toys among the large selection of products from the world's best makers are doll sets that will enchant your children.

Model houses which open at one side and reveal their interior decorations, including budget furniture are at present on sale at the Sunny Company also on Nathan Road near Granville Road.

Also a warehouse of toys, the Sunny Company sells all kinds of stationery, including greeting cards for all occasions. Baby prams, buggies and chairs can be had at the Sunny Company.

Have you ever wondered which is the best place to eat on the mainland? In that case you must have excellent dishes prepared by the Grand Hotel chefs.

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Home-cooked meals

Every housewife wants her family to enjoy good home-cooked meals. These depend not only on the method of cooking, also on the kind of food used for preparing a good meal.

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The Dairy Farm located on Nathan Road near the Whitfield Barracks is the centre of fresh and best quality food.

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All imported, the store has also a large selection of men's sports wear.

For your children, the store has also a toy department where only the best toys are sold.

For silver and gold ware, G.M. Arthur is the right place where you can obtain what you want at reasonable prices.

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G.M. Arthur's store is noted for its workmanship in gold and silver.

Ladies, if you are wondering where to buy a good dress for the coming Chinese New Year party, here is a little advice.

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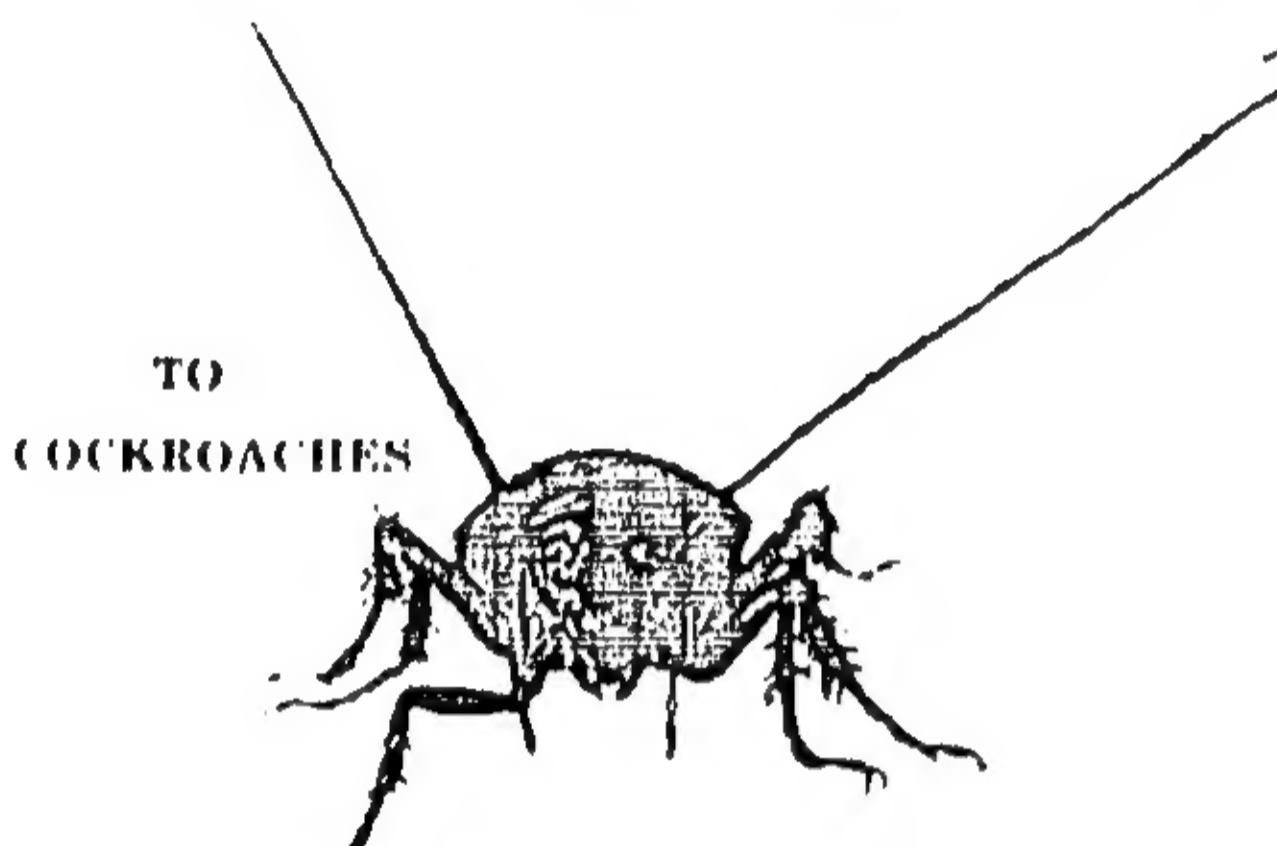
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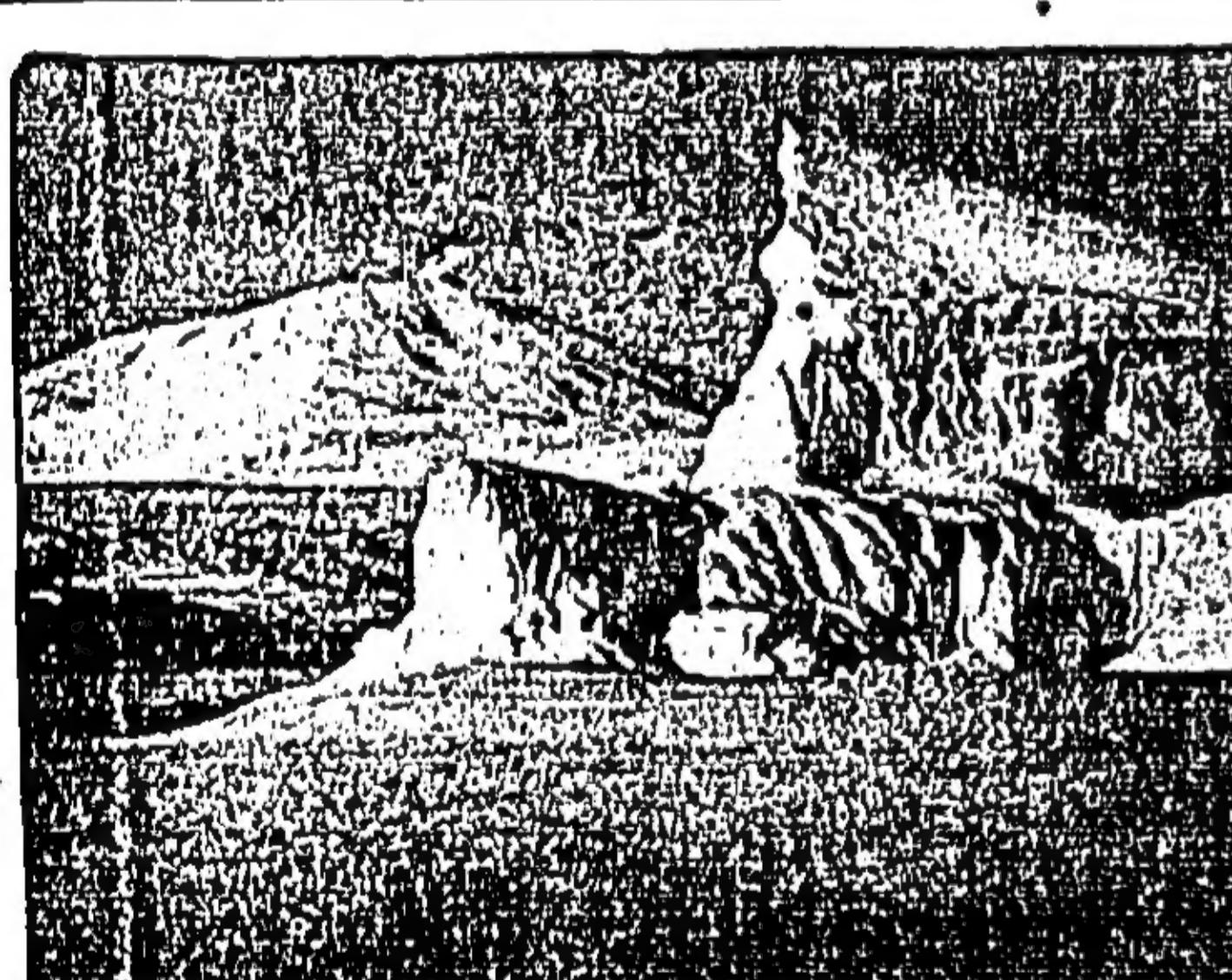
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MANCHURIA USED AS A TESTING GROUND FOR SOVIET COMMUNISM

Engineers want wage increase

Birmingham, January 10.
A meeting of the 1,400 members of the Amalgamated Engineering Union today unanimously supported its claim for a weekly wage increase of £1.

The union is one of a number which are not in line with the support of the Trades Union Congress for the Government's "wage freeze" anti-inflation policy.

The TUC on Thursday voted in favour of carrying this policy on through 1950.

Today's meeting represented 30,000 workers in this centre of the Industrial Midlands. The increase claim is already before the employers, who will give their decision on February 2.—Reuter.

CROSSMAN ISSUES DENIAL

London, January 15.
The left wing Labour Member of Parliament, Mr. Richard Crossman, denied today he was "the man behind" a move alleged by Conservative Sunday newspapers to replace Mr. Ernest Bevin by the present Minister of Health, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, as Foreign Secretary.

Mr. Crossman was named by the "Sunday Chronicle" and the "Sunday Despatch" (Conservative) as likely to be Mr. Bevan's successor.

The "Chronicle" said that Mr. Crossman was the man behind Mr. Bevan in his drive and that the Health Minister had told friends Mr. Crossman would be his Foreign Under-Secretary.

Mr. Crossman today commented: "There is no truth whatsoever in the idea that Mr. Bevan has ever asked me to advise him on foreign policy." He added: "We have long predicted that there would be an attempt to invent splits in the Labour Party in order to scare the electors with the Bevan bogey."

Mr. Crossman, who led the sectional rankers' revolt against Mr. Bevin's foreign policy in the pre-Parliament, was named as head of a new "leftist Twelve," alleged by Socialist opponents to be anxious to see the Foreign Secretary replaced if Labour won the February 23 election.

Labour supporters today believed that Mr. Bevin's voice would be one of the most powerful in the choice of his successor should he contemplate a change or relinquishing of office.

Some Parliamentarians have suggested Sir Stafford Cripps as a "probable" for the Foreign Secretary if there were a Cabinet reshuffle and that in such circumstances the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Herbert Morrison, might succeed Sir Stafford Cripps as Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Cost of living in rigorously rationed Britain was considered likely to become the critical election issue—with the housewives' reaction to austerity as the key to the verdict.—Reuter.

RUSSIAN FILM PLANS

Prague, January 15.
The Soviet State film industry plans to produce 40 major pictures this year, including two "dedicated to unveiling the war-mongers," a Tass report to the Czechoslovak Press reported.

The pictures aimed at the "war-mongers" and designed to glorify the "Soviet Union's fight for peace" will be called "A Certain Country" and "A Secret Mission."

The Russians also plan a new series of films dealing with the Soviet Union's "great patriotic war," as they call Russia's part in World War II.

Other major topics will be the other "People's Democracies" of Eastern Europe and various biographical films.

About half the major films will be produced in colour, the Soviet Ministry of Cinematography reported.

The year's programme also provides for extensive expansion of documentary and scientific pictures. The official report said 23 studios now were specialising in such films.

Export of films into the countries of the Soviet orbit also is to be broadened—Associated Press.

The Soviet Russians appear to be not well-liked by the Chinese people in Manchuria, which, according to all reliable reports, is being used as an experimental ground for Soviet Communism in China.

Chinese travellers from Manchuria said the people there nicknamed the Russians "big nose," as they had nicknamed the Japanese "small nose."

They said Communist cartoonists once drew many caricatures of a foreigner captioned "American Big Nose Imperialist." In one of the captions, he forgot to insert the word "American." The Russians took offence at that and the cartoonist is now in a training camp for re-indoctrination.

The Russian language has now been made compulsory in all schools in the country. One Communist sponsored Chinese educational mission to Manchuria visited a primary school one day and asked the pupils whether they felt any differently towards studying Russian than they had about Japanese during the old "Manchukuo" days. The pupils pulled a long face, but declined to answer.

Dislike of the Russians is reported to have crept into the ranks and file of the Communist Party itself. According to the Communist propaganda, Liu Tsuling, the anti-Soviet writings of Hsiao Chun, another Communist journalist, had some influence on the younger members of the Party in Manchuria.

Liu made this admission in a series of seven articles reprinted in the Nanking "New China Daily" attacking Hsiao Chun for his charge against Soviet Russia being imperialistic towards China.

The controversy within the Communist Party is generally taken as confirmation of private information filtering into China. Proper of the unpopularity of Soviet influence in China's rich North East.

Special area

The exact extent of Soviet domination in Manchuria is hard to assess, but it must be very great, according to a popular belief among informed circles, because of the Soviet control of the vital Changchun Railway and the terminal ports of Dairen and Port Arthur.

Manchuria is now designated a special area. This correspondent has seen a Communist map in which Manchuria was coloured differently from the rest of China. Chinese may travel to any parts of China with relative freedom, but travel to Manchuria is strictly controlled. A special permit has to be obtained from the local authorities with the approval of the Manchurian Communists. Recently, the Communists in Shanghai suspended the issuance of permits to visit Manchuria, giving the cold weather there as the reason.

Dairen and Port Arthur, which are virtually completely under Soviet domination, have been made super-special zones. Travel restrictions to the two ports are even stricter than those applying to other parts of Manchuria. The Changchun Railway, which terminates at Port Arthur, does not maintain a direct service to the two ports. The train runs only as far as Wulho, which is about 50 miles North West of Dairen. The passengers have to alight from the train, walk a short distance, show their permits to the Chinese Communists and Soviet guards and then board another train for Dairen.

Manchuria is now being ruled on the lines of Soviet Communism. All private property in the rural areas has been expropriated. Private property is still permitted in the urban districts, but it is now being gradually squeezed out by large state monopolies and crippling taxes and levies. No private banks exist there now.

According to the pro-Communist "Hsin Min Pao" in Shanghai, the ratio between state and privately-owned industries in Manchuria now is 48.52. The production ratio this year in terms of kuan-ting is 10,240,000 tons for the State-owned and 1,000,000 tons for privately-owned industries.

Three-year plan

The Communists with Soviet technical assistance have mapped out a three-year plan, which will be started in 1950 for the restoration of Manchurian industrial and agricultural People's Government, said in a report on December 2 in Peking that 35 per cent of the industries have been re-opened thus far, but admitted that actual production, especially of food, is very low.

Li said that communications have been completely restored and land reforms carried out throughout the country, but said the burden of farmers is still high, because of their being made to bear the brunt of financing the war of "liberation."

According to Chinese travellers, the farmers like their fellow-beings in China Proper are subjected to heavy levies and taxes on their land production. They said that this has reduced the farmers to a new, low in poverty, and that a man possessing one ounce of gold is considered a rich man.

The Communist "New China Agency" reported on December 8 that the farmers in Manchuria are being forced to pay heavy taxes and levies, and that the government is trying to force them to work for the state. The farmers are being compelled to work for the state, and that the government is trying to force them to work for the state.



GETTING TOUCH AT THE TOP

FRUITLESS TALKS ON THE SAAR QUESTION

Bonn, January 15.

The German-French talks on the Saar ended here tonight without any decisions on the French plan to soak 50-year leases on the coal mines in the region.

M. Robert Schuman, the French Foreign Minister, said: "No agreements were reached between myself and Dr. Konrad Adenauer (the West German Chancellor) and no agreements were contemplated."

He added that there were no "magic formulae" for reconciling the French and German viewpoints over the Saar.

He said that his talks with Dr. Adenauer would not influence France's decisions about the Saar.

He was addressing a Press conference after his two-hour private talk this afternoon with Dr. Adenauer—the most important of the exchanges on Franco-German problems between the two statesmen during M. Schuman's visit.

M. Schuman said what was intended was that there should be an exchange of views. He stressed the cordiality of the talks. "Dr. Adenauer and I exchanged views and this is important, for it is the first time that the French and German Governments have been able to discuss this question," he declared.

Asked whether there was any change in the French plan to negotiate with the head of the Saar Government in Paris on February 7, the French Foreign Minister replied: "There are no changes in our plans. Our proposal will be sent to Saarbruecken for study by the Saar Government before Herr Josef Hoffmann (the Saar Premier) comes to Paris."

In reply to another question, M. Schuman said that the French Government would con-

tinue to apply the policy defined by the Saar Statute, which is based on the Constitution of 1947, which was voted by the Saar Parliament unanimously except for one Communist dissident.

Technical talks

The technical talks which will take place with the Saar Government aim at dealing with practical necessities. Insofar as these proposals make for change they are changes in favour of the Government and the population of the Saar.

These measures, like the Saar Statute as a whole, will have to be definitely consecrated at the time of the peace treaty.

Asked whether the proposed 50-year lease to France of the Saar miners might be invalidated by the peace treaty, M. Schuman replied: "The peace treaty is almost."

To French observers, M. Schuman's visit to Germany has throughout been overshadowed by a sustained German propaganda barrage designed to frighten the Saar Government and to bring pressure on M. Schuman to abandon the French plan for leasing the Saar coal mines.

Anti-French feeling

This campaign has impressed the head of the Saar Government, who, according to official reports reaching Bonn from Saarbruecken today, is now worried about whether he should go on with Franco-Saar negotiations.

Anti-French feeling in the Saar has reached heights unsurpassed since the end of the war.

According to the same reports, Saarlanders who were former Nazi Party members, ostensibly turned their backs on French singers and artists at a Red Cross concert in Saarbruecken on Saturday.

French official sources confirm that the French people in Saarbruecken are being increasingly subjected to public manifestations of hostility in the streets.—Reuter.

NEW INDIA LOAN

New Delhi, January 15.
The Government of India has decided to create a further issue of a two-and-a-half per cent loan, redeemable in 1955, for 15 crores of rupees.

This was announced by the Indian Ministry of Finance today. (One crore is the equivalent of 10,000,000 rupees).—Reuter.

SILVER IMPORT INTO AMERICA

New York, January 15.
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Handy and Harman, leading bullion dealers, reported that about 57 per cent of the imported silver came from Mexico alone.

Silver exports totalled 33,400,000 ounces—most of which were shipments against foreign exchange orders. Exports in 1948 totalled 16,000,000 ounces.

The silver dealers estimated that arts and industries in the U.S. last year consumed about 90,000,000 ounces of silver.—Associated Press.

New Delhi, January 16.

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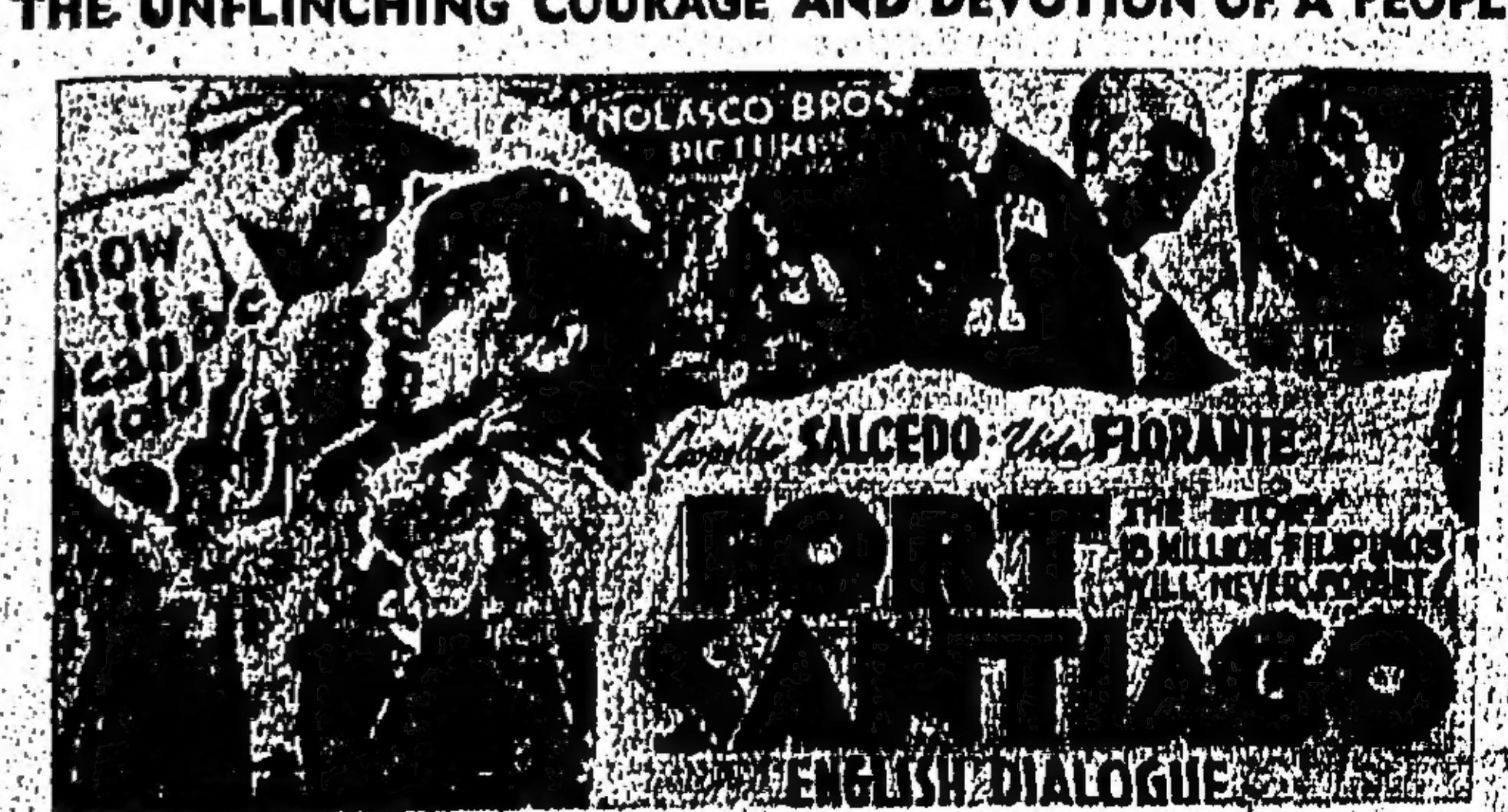
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Shipping Arrivals

YESTERDAY

Lambourne (Mac Mac) British 670 tons ex-Singapore K. Wh.
Aurora (B & B) British 2000 tons ex-Singapore K. Wh.
Berkshire (Ladore) British 1670 tons ex-Singapore K. Wh.
Bridwell (Norwegian) 318 tons ex-Singapore W. P.
Carthage (Mac Mac) British 7000 tons ex-Singapore K. Wh.
Eustachius (1941) American 3534 tons ex-Manila A. 2
Eustachius (B & B) British 1192 tons ex-Singapore K. Cost.
Fitzwilliam (B & B) British 1050 tons ex-Singapore K. Hots.

TODAY

Merker (Gull) American 1000 tons ex-Singapore K. Wh.
Oswald (Thoresen) K. Wh.
Preston (Miles) American 1000 tons ex-Singapore K. Wh.
Philippine (B & S) American 1000 tons ex-Singapore K. Wh.

Shipping Departures

YESTERDAY

Hermione (Ladore) for Bangkok K. Wh.
Hermione (Ladore) for Japan K. Wh.
Vicente (B & S) for Yokohama K. Wh.
Vicente (B & S) for Singapore K. Wh.

TODAY

Conqueror (Dewitt) for Atlantic Coast K. Wh.
Fame (Dewitt) for Pacific Coast K. Wh.
Minotaur (Dewitt) for Japan K. Wh.

Horizon (Dewitt) for Pacific Coast K. Wh.

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